



The Elba HeadStart celebrated the "Week of the Young Child" last week. To conclude the week's events and activities, the youngsters were treated to a parade around downtown Elba. They were escorted by Elba Police officers during their journey around town.

Covington Electric Cooperative's annual meeting draws large crowd

A cool spring day, free prizes and entertainment, as well as an interest in co-op business, brought more than 4,500 people to the annual Covington Electric Cooperative membership meeting on April 5, at the Andalusia Kiwanis Community Center.

The Isaacs of Tennessee, and a local group, Double Nickel, provided the evening's entertainment with special varieties of gospel and country music. Business highlights included the election of two members to the CEC board of trustees, reports on CEC's operations in 2006, and information about member services and community support provided by CEC.

Willie Smith of Brandley and Heflin Smith of Kinston were re-elected to three-year terms on the CEC board of trustees, representing Districts III and IV respectively.

R. R. "Bud" Johnson, CEC's board chairman, opened the business session of the meeting. He introduced special speakers and then recognized the oldest male and female members present. Aubrey McGlaun, age 95, of Andalusia, was recognized as the oldest male member present and Connie Hattaway, age 98, of Elba, was the oldest female member present. They both received \$100 cash.

Ed Short, CEC's general manager, recognized distinguished guests and four long-time employees who were commended for completing 20 years of service at CEC. Short then expressed appreciation to the CEC membership for their outstanding cooperation and support.

Short then mentioned some items of interest to members including the cost of power including new rate information, the cooperative's plans to stabilize power costs and CEC's involvement in economic and community development. "We want to do everything we can to help you get the maximum benefit from your electric service and your cooperative," said Short. "Covington's board and employees are committed to provide you, the member-owners, the services you desire at the lowest reasonable cost."

Short went on to describe the factors that impact rates with environmental regulations, natural gas and coal prices being a priority. "Environmental regulations will hopefully give us a better environment, but they will also continue to add to the cost of energy," he said. "Increases in the price of natural gas and coal that is used to generate electricity is also having a major impact on rates according to Short."

"Alabama Electric Cooperative is our wholesale power provider. AEC projects an average increase in rates of 3 percent each year for the next five years," he said. "CEC is in the process of a rate study and the early numbers indicate a need to increase rates across the board. This will include the facility charge, lighting (security and other outside lighting), and regular kWh. It is doubtful that full cost of service rates will be implemented at this time, but we will probably continue moving toward full cost based rates as we have discussed over the last three years," said Short.

Short emphasized the cooperative's first priority which is safely providing reliable power, but he also discussed CEC's efforts to control costs where possible. He said that plans were being implemented to move two men to a small bucket truck to operate as a light construction crew with meter and collections work being done by one person in a smaller vehicle. This will help control cost through better utilization of equipment and employees while maintaining exceptional service.

Other priorities at CEC include community involvement and economic development. Short discussed different programs supported by the cooperative. "The CEC board is a strong supporter of education, economic development and safety," he said. "We continue to work with the schools in our service area by providing curriculum for Manners of the Heart and Building Strong Character For A Lifetime to participating schools. We continue to provide safety education to schools and employees. Efforts to provide jobs through economic development are continuing and with your support, we will continue with all of these efforts to benefit you and our service area," he added.

After the business session, a 1997 Ford F150 truck and over 40 other attendance prizes were awarded. CEC members registering at the meeting received an energy efficient light bulb and other useful gifts.

A display booth was set up at the meeting to remind members about the services available from their cooperative and it also provided activities for children including face painting and electrical safety activity books. Cooperative Propane also operated a display booth at the meeting which promoted sales of electric appliances at their retail store in Opp. The Covington County Shiner Club operated concession stands at the meeting.

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MEMBERS OF THE ELBA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT responded Thursday afternoon, May 3, to a house fire at 1032 Guyton Street. The emergency call reporting the fire was received by Elba Police dispatchers at approximately 4:10 p.m. At the time of the call, flames already were visible. Firefighters quickly arrived on scene and began working to bring the fire under control. Reportedly, no one was at home when emergency personnel arrived; however, a small canine was found inside, rescued by firefighters and treated at the scene by members of Coffee County EMS. While efforts by firefighters to quickly extinguish the flames were successful, the home did suffer major damage. Also responding to the scene were members of the Elba Police Department.

Fire Chief offers safety tips for river boating/floating

by Linda Hodge, Editor

As a general rule, Spring brings warmer temperatures, which allows people to get out and about to enjoy pastimes such as boating and floating on the Pea River. For those who enjoy it, this can be a fun-filled

activity, but a few simple safety procedures need to be followed. As recently as last weekend, members of the Elba Fire Department were dispatched for search and rescue of some individuals that were floating on the Pea River and did not make it back before dark. This search and rescue ended well with the people being located unharmed, but it reinforced the need for people to be careful when venturing down the river or any other body of water.

Elba Fire Chief Danny Jordan said it is especially important for people to follow certain safety procedures with water conditions down in some areas. When boating, he said it is important to watch for sandbars, stumps and underwater obstacles. He also said to make sure the watercraft's equipment is working properly and all safety features such as flotation devices are in good working order and worn appropriately.

Jordan said to be sure the boat's fire extinguisher is in working order and is placed in an accessible location for use. If possible, he also suggested having some kind of lights on the water near dark.

Jordan said a pastime that has really become popular is floating down the river. "It is a great relaxation to float through the beautiful countryside of Coffee County along the Pea River," he said. "It's important, however, to make sure you have plenty of time to float from your entrance point to your exit point before dark."

First and foremost, Chief Jordan said he encourages people to not float down the river alone. He also said to make sure someone (not with the group) knows the time and location those floating should be out of the water. If this person is not contacted by a certain time, he said he/she will be alerted that something may be wrong and can immediately call for help.

Jordan said floaters can not necessarily depend on cell phones. "If you're stranded on the river after dark and have been able to keep a cell phone, it's important to know that at the river bottom cellular signals do not get out very well."

Jordan said any person that is on the river and it becomes dark needs to realize the temperature drops rapidly on the water. He said most do not have extra clothes, food supplies or drinks to prepare them for this type situation.

"If you're able to keep matches or a cigarette lighter dry to use to start a fire, try to find a sand bar or set aside an area that will not catch the woods on fire."

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Firefighter George M. Homyak

Homyak also currently serves the City of Elba as the animal control officer through the Elba Police Department. He said his hobbies/interests include continuing his education in emergency management.

George's family includes his wife, Betty, and daughter, Kayla.

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The Washington folks passed a bill this week dealing with legalizing the buying of prescription drugs from other countries. This is an emotional issue for those buying a lot of high priced American drugs when they know of places (illegal thus far) to get them for half price, or less. The impact of this amended bill is based on how a person reads the conditions in the document. Our first e-mails were praising the lawmakers for turning back the move to legalize such purchases. Then no less than the AARP sent out an e-mail praising them for passing a bill approving the out-of-country (or mail order) purchases. However AARP doesn't like a late amendment to the bill. We think the differing opinions come from this late Senate amendment to the plan which in effect leaves the final decision to the Secretary of Health and Human Services. Those clapping at the failure of the effort are probably assuming the Secretary will never give his or her approval. The drug companies have reportedly pumped a lot of lobbying money into fighting S.1082, the Prescription Drug User Fee Amendments of 2007.

Bids were let recently for the resurfacing of U.S. 84 through Elba. That is good news to those who regularly try to dodge the potholes on this portion of the highway. The regrettable part is that some of us actually believed the politicians when they said the four lanes of 84 would be completed before now and U. S. 84 would officially follow the 203 Bypass around Elba. Now confidence is waning more and more and no one is laughing at those who contend the project will never be completed in our lifetime.

The City of Elba is considering a nice pay raise for police officers. The matter was discussed in a recent workshop, but no decision made. Elba is losing police officers left and right, to higher paying jobs and having trouble finding qualified officers to replace those who moved on to greener pastures. Now city employees are expecting the City Council to vote on the measure at their next meeting. This of course is upsetting many of those who are not in line for the pay raise. Our position is that none of us think we are earning what we are worth but personally we would not strap on a pistol, walk down the street during someone to start a shootout, etc. for twice what Elba policemen make today... in fact for no price. There are just too many nuts walking around this world today looking for some way to become the lead topic in the news. Thus if it takes another dollar to hire, and keep, good police officers... pay it.

A lot of folks are wondering what the decision will be on the German steel mill locating in Alabama or Louisiana? An e-mail from the company this week indicated the board of Thyssen Krupp, meeting in Dusseldorf, Germany will vote on the matter Friday. Maybe it is just because it is the answer we want as Alabama residents, but for these folks to be sending e-mails to papers like The Elba Clipper seems to be a positive sign of them planning to locate the massive facility in the Mobile, Alabama area. That is if the stretched out bickering of our state senate didn't scare them off. But then as professionals they should understand the process and not panic over those actions. Actually they should in fact view them as evidence Alabama has nothing to hide and "what you see is what you get".

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, Apr. 30, 2007, investigated the following incidents: two for driving under the influence, one for breaking distribution, one for breaking and entering a motor vehicle, two for harassment, one for theft of property, one house fire, one for criminal mischief, one for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, two for assault and one for domestic violence.

The following arrests were made: two for driving under the influence, one for failure to appear, one for resisting arrest and one for giving a false name to law enforcement.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: three for not wearing a seat belt, three for a suspended driver's license, one for operating without insurance, one for an expired tag, one for resisting arrest, three for speeding, one for a revoked driver's license and one for no driver's license in possession.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows: MONDAY, APR. 30 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 3794 County Rd. 312 (12:42 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 861 Cedar Lane Dr. (4:12 p.m.).

TUESDAY, MAY 1 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1172 County Rd. 201 (9:55 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 563 County Rd. 239 (12:22 p.m.); Burglary reported at 1277

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fire." Jordan said. He also suggested not trying to walk through the woods after dark. Without light, Jordan said it is easier to become lost in the woods which in turn makes it harder for rescuers to locate their subjects.

When people are lost or fail to return from their boating/floating activities, Chief Jordan stressed the importance of having as much information as possible when calling 911 for help. He said the caller should try and give dispatchers as much information as possible about the location of the boaters/floater.

Most parts of the Pea River are accessible from the ground, the chief said most boating/floating activities are slowed down or stopped by low water. Therefore, he said it is important for those who are out as much as possible about the location of the boaters/floater.

"The Elba Fire Department wants to thank landowners that work hand in hand with us by allowing us on their property to help find people that are lost or trapped on the river due to unforeseen problems," Jordan said.

He also thanked the MAST team for assistance in search and rescue missions. He said having the help of MAST allows the fire department to be able to hoist people off the river whenever rescuers are unable to get to them by ground.

Jordan also pointed out that the river's current in high water conditions can create dangerous situations for boaters and floaters, especially in rapids. All in all, however, he said boating and floating excursions can be fun for adventurers as long as they exercise good safety procedures.

at 1331 Claxton Ave. (1:14 a.m.); Disturbance (noise) reported near the ballfield (6:18 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2 - Wreck reported on Jackson St. (8:29 a.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to the Dollar General (3:29 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 6763 County Rd. 410 (6:08 p.m.); Disturbance reported at 720 Reynolds (8:44 p.m.).

THURSDAY, MAY 3 - Elba Fire Department dispatched to a house fire at 1032 Guyton St. (4:10 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1032 Guyton St. (4:16 p.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 710 Kennedy Dr. (11:06 p.m.).

FRIDAY, MAY 4 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 31270 Hwy. 87 N. (1:11 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a 4-vehicle wreck reported on Hwy. 84 near New Brockton (4:58 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1172 County Rd. 201 (9:25 p.m.); Disturbance (noise) reported near Reynolds and Jackson streets (9:53 p.m.).

SATURDAY, MAY 5 - Domestic disturbance reported at 710 Kennedy Dr. (11:06 p.m.).

ELBA MINISTRIAL ASSN. - Tues. - 8 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall
- CHURCH SUPPORT GROUP - every Monday 6:30 p.m. - Elba United Methodist Church-center on side on W. Davis St. - Maggie Garrett Classroom
- COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION - 2nd & 4th Monday - Community Room in Farm Center Complex @ New Brockton
- LEONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizen Center
- ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 2nd Tues. - 5:30 a.m. - Supr. Office
- AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Tuesday of every month 7:00 p.m. Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.
- MASONIC LODGE 170 - 1st & 3rd Monday of each month - 7 p.m. -
- BAND BOOSTERS - 1st Mon. - 7 p.m. Band Room @ Elba High School
- VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER - Mon-Fri. 8-12 noon & 12:30 - 4:30 New Brockton @ Farm Center Complex 894-5853
- COFFEE COUNTY COON HUNTERS ASSN. - 3rd Sat. - 3 p.m. - Club House
- COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN - 3rd Wed. Noon - Po Folks, Enterprise
- ELBA AIRPORT AUTHORITY - 1st Thursday at 5 P.M., the FBO office at the Airport
- AARP meets every 3rd Tuesday night of the month
- ELBA ATHLETIC CLUB - 2nd & 4th Monday - 7 p.m. - Elba High boys locker room
- NEW SEASONS STUDY CLUB - Every 3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m.
- ELBA EDWARDS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Thursday - Noon - Elba Public Library



AN ELBA FIREMAN is shown spraying water on "hot spots" after a huge blaze was extinguished last Thursday afternoon, May 3, at a home located on Guyton Street in Elba. The main location of the blaze and when firefighters arrived on scene was at the rear of the structure. The back of the home was fully engulfed with flames when the firefighters arrived on scene.

New website helps
Alabama citizens
learn more about
health insurance

Governor Bob Riley and State Public Health Officer Dr. Don Williamson announced the creation of a new website to help Alabama consumers learn more about health insurance and the variety of plans available in the state.

As a joint effort between the Governor's Black Belt Action Commission and the Alabama Department of Public Health, the website helps consumers better understand health insurance terminology, resources and possible tax benefits. The web address for the site is <http://healthinsurance.alabama.gov/>.

Dr. Williamson said, "We applaud this initiative because the website will provide Alabamians practical guidance in selecting the best health insurance for their needs and will provide them the protection they need for themselves, their families and their employees."

The user-friendly website provides information about health insurance plans available in Alabama. The site also provides tax calculators for individuals so they can see the possible tax benefits of purchasing health insurance for themselves and their families.

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Obituaries

DEONIA WOODS

Mrs. Deonia Woods died Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at the Enterprise Nursing Home.

Funeral services were held May 5, 2007 at Coleman Funeral Home Chapel, Enterprise, Ala., with Bro. Edwin Roberts officiating. Burial followed at the Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery, Elba, Ala., with Coleman Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include one daughter: Alice Joyce Baker, West Palm Beach, Fla.; and one son: Anthony Huggins.

DOROTHEA ELDA SMITH
Mrs. Dorothy Elda Smith, age 70, of Elba, Ala., died Friday, May 4, 2007, at the Elba Nursing Home.

Graveside services were held May 7, 2007 at the Antioch Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery, near Glenwood, Ala.

LETTER
TO
THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Planning for the Elba High School Class of 1997 reunion is underway. We are in need of current mailing addresses and phone numbers of alumni. The planning committee asks that updated information be sent to chc1997@hotmail.com or call 334-347-1519. Sincerely,
1997 Senior Class Officers
(Christina "Cook" Anderson)

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with Thomas Prior officiating. Burial followed with Hayes Funeral Home of Elba directing. Mrs. Smith was preceded in death by her parents, Luther John Walden and Elda S. Walden; her husband, Frank Smith; two brothers, Luther John Walden Jr. and Aubrey Lee Walden; and two sisters, Louise Jacobs and Maxine Walden.

Survivors include six sisters: Gwendolyn Boutwell and Evelyn Hodge, both of Elba, Betty Miles, Saraland, Ala., Barbara Joyce Carter, Opp, Ala., Shirley Slawson, New Brockton, Ala., Rhonda Sue Parker, Antlers, Okla.; and one brother: Ronnie Walden, Elba.

GLENN J.R. CHILDS
STRICKLAND
Mrs. Glenda J. R. Childs Strickland, age 30, of Enterprise, Ala., died Thursday, May 3, 2007, in Houston County, Ala.

Funeral services were held May 7, 2007 at St. John Baptist Church, Brundidge, Ala., with Rev. Calvin Faircloth officiating. Burial followed in the St. John Baptist Church Cemetery with Skeen Funeral Home of Brundidge directing.

Mrs. Strickland was preceded in death by one sister, Talieha Childs.

Survivors include her husband: William Strickland, Enterprise; four sons: Devin Childs, Donovan Tetrault, Gabriel Strickland and William Strickland III; three daughters: Chantelle Tetrault, Abigail Strickland and Carolyn Strickland; all of Enterprise; her father: Ron Childs, New Brockton, Ala.; her mothers: Virgie Childs, New Brockton,

Debra McGowan, Midland City, MI; her grandmother: Christine McWaters Bolling, Enterprise; three brothers: Albert Sheets and Perry Arrington, both of New Brockton, Robert Loke, Midland City; two sisters: Theone Sheets, Jack, Ala., and Linda Childs, Midland City.

MARY NELL CALDWELL
JAMES

Mrs. Mary Nell Caldwell James, Elba, Ala., died Thursday, April 26, 2007.

Funeral services were held May 4, 2007 at Harris Temple Church of God in Christ with Superintendent W.K. Ellison officiating. Burial followed at Evergreen Cemetery with Coleman Funeral Home directing.

Mrs. James was preceded in death by a grandson, Ricardo Tyson.

Survivors include her husband: Tommy James, Elba; three sons: Freddie Caldwell, Terry Caldwell, and Martin Caldwell, all of Elba; an adoptive daughter: Miriam Wilkerson; two step children: Louise James, Enterprise, Ala., Bridget Tyson, Elba; her father: M. J. Caldwell Sr., Elba; five sisters: Annie Kelly, Angela Polmar, Carolyn Caldwell, Rhonda Caldwell and Mary Jean Caldwell, all of Elba; three brothers: David (Kathy) Caldwell, Lake Wales, Fla., M. J. (Michelle) Caldwell and

Willie Paul Caldwell, both of Elba; her grandchildren: Shrika Lindsey, Sandarius Reed, Kristie Patterson, Martez Wilkerson and Malia Caldwell; one great grandson: Z Z Solomon; a niece and nephew whom she raised as her daughter and son: Conalisa Caldwell, Elba, Earl Caldwell, Iowa; and her mother-in-law: Pearlle James, Opp, Ala.

WINDY VANCE

Mr. Windy Vance, age 59, died Saturday, May 5, 2007.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 9, 2007, at Southern Memorial, Montgomery, Ala., with Brother Wendell Kelly officiating. Burial was in Shearon Cemetery, Jack, Ala.

Survivors include his father: Leon Vance Sr.; his wife: Wanda A. Vance; sons: Windy Vance Jr., Jeff (Christy) Vance, Brad Vance & Joshua Vance; daughter: Jessica Logan; mother-in-law: Ann "MawMaw" Gunter; brothers: Wendell "Pinky" Vance, Jessie James Vance, Leon "Junior" Vance Jr. and Jerry Vance; sisters: Glenda Nelson, Becky Campbell, Shelia Armstrong and Ruthie Gilley; and grandchildren: Corbin Vance and Dalton Vance.

DOROTHY FRANCIS
KENDRICK

Mrs. Dorothy Francis Kendrick, age 76, of Birmingham, Ala., formally of

the Victoria community, died Saturday, May 5, 2007, at Golden Living Center-Riverchase in Birmingham.

Funeral services were held May 8, 2007 at Victoria Baptist Church with Reverend Donnie Marler officiating. Burial followed in the Victoria Baptist Church Cemetery, Elba, with Hayes Funeral Home of Elba in charge of local arrangements.

Mrs. Kendrick was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas J. Kendrick, and a daughter, Rhonda Merrill.

Survivors include three daughters: Marsha (husband Wayne) Hogan, Cleveland, Ga., Yolanda (husband Alan) Rowland, Lyles, Tenn., Dawn Conrad, Gainesville, Ga.; a son-in-law: Tom Merrill, Birmingham; one sister: Merle Bragg, Elba; three brothers: Shirley Thomas, Brundidge, Ala., Alvie T. Thomas, Eufaula, Ala., Grady Thomas, Panama City Beach, Fla.; 11 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

"Relay for Life"
Happenings:

The Peoples Bank of Coffee County will hold a "Relay for Life" Bake Sale Friday, May 11, during regular banking hours. Baked goodies to include cakes, pies, cookies, brownies, etc. will be on display in the lobby of the bank for sale. Proceeds from the bake sale will benefit the Coffee County Relay for Life set for Friday, May 18. Also, Friday, May 11, is the cutoff to send the bank's pink flamingoes on a visit, as well as, to place a bid on items in the bank's silent auction. Support of these events is appreciated.

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The Lady With the Lamp

"Are there no devoted women among us, able and willing to go forth to minister to the sick and suffering soldiers of the East in the hospitals of Scutari? Are none of the daughters of England, at this extreme hour of need, ready for such a work of mercy? Must we fall so far below the French in self-sacrifice and devotedness?"

The Crimean War was six months old when the London Times published these comments in September 1854, and they sparked the British government to immediate action. The Secretary of War asked his friend, thirty-four year old Florence Nightingale, to lead a contingent of thirty-eight nurses to the Scutari hospital.

When the nurses arrived, the hospital was a greater danger to British soldiers than the Crimean battlefields. Malaria and cholera were rampant, with five of every six deaths the result of a disease contracted by the soldier after admission, and not from their original wounds.

Through their tenderness, the nurses quickly earned the love and respect of the patients. Miss Nightingale worked sixteen hours a day, becoming known as "The Lady With the Lamp" for her night-time rounds with a candle. Even so, the soldiers continued dying. Six months after the nurses arrived, a British Sanitary Commission ordered the hospital sewers flushed and the ventilation improved. Suddenly, the death rate plummeted.

Upon returning to England in 1856, Florence Nightingale was a national heroine. Single handedly, she had elevated the status of nursing, which the public previously held in the same esteem as prostitution, to a profession worthy of the nation's finest young women.

Among her talents, Florence Nightingale was also an accomplished statistician, becoming the first woman inducted as a Fellow of the Royal Statistical Society. Shortly after her return, she applied those

skills to a study the deaths in Scutari, and reached a devastating conclusion. The flushing of the sewers and improvements to hospital ventilation had saved lives. She and her nurses had not. Her lack of knowledge had allowed thousands to die.

For such a deeply caring and religious woman, it was a shattering blow. No one will ever know the emotional effects her conclusions had upon her, but her actions speak volumes.



Tending the Sick. Courtesy of the Illustrated London News.

Although a mysterious illness contracted while overseas kept her bedridden for over ten years, she dedicated her life to improving public health in Great Britain and its military. Until her death in 1910, her persistence led to numerous public health improvements. Her influence circled the globe, with the Union Army retaining her as a consultant during the Civil War.

Her other passion was the improvement of training received by nurses, and among her greatest contributions was the establishment of the Nightingale School and Home for Nurses in 1860.

Would you like to find out more about Florence Nightingale? Take The Web Journey.

NEXT WEEK:
The man who defeated snailbox

THE WEB JOURNEY

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LIFESTYLES



HOMEcoming FESTIVITIES WERE HELD RECENTLY ON THE ENTERPRISE CAMPUS of Enterprise-Ozark Community College. During that time the 2006-2007 Homecoming Queen and Court were named. Pictured from left to right are Jovan Sparks of Elba, Ashley Rogers of Enterprise, Josh Smith of Zion Chapel, Kendall Stinson of Elba, Matt Smith of Daleville, and Brandon Barron of Fort Walton Beach, Florida. Brandon Barron was escorted by Faith Gregory of Crestview, Florida, and Brandon Barron of Fort Walton Beach, Florida. Brandon Barron was escorted by Faith Gregory of Crestview, Florida, and Brandon Barron of Fort Walton Beach, Florida.

Amelia Rhoades to be honored with Retirement Party on Sunday, May 20th

Amelia Rhoades will be honored with a Retirement Party at the home of Kiep and Tiffany Johnson located at 88 County Road 451, Opp, Alabama. This very special event will be held

Sunday, May 20, 2007 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Babysitting classes offered by Red Cross

The American Red Cross is offering a babysitter class on May 21 & 22nd from 5:30p.m. until 8:30 p.m. The cost to attend is \$30.00 per person. You must be 11 years of age to attend. Call Janet McCrummen to register 334-347-2461. Seating is limited.

Republican Women to meet May 16

The Republican Women of Coffee County will hold their monthly meeting/ luncheon on May 16th, 11AM to 1PM, Social/Lunch/Program at Po-Folks in Enterprise. This month's program will feature Sheriff Dave Sutton. He will report on the status of the office since his election. Everyone is welcome. Call Jan White for reservations and info, 348-2451.

Kindergarten Registration set for Thursday, May 10 at Elba Elementary School

Elba Elementary School will hold Kindergarten Registration for students planning to attend Kindergarten next school year on Thursday, May 10 and Friday, May 11, 2007. Parents may register students between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. in the conference room at the elementary school. In order to register, children must turn 5 years old on or before September 2, 2007. When registering, parents should present a certified birth certificate, Social Security card, and Alabama school record for the child. Parents are encouraged to bring the registering child for a short academic assessment that will be used for placement purposes. In order for the school to make appropriate teaching assignments, we encourage all prospective Kindergarten students to register at this time. For more information or for questions, please call the school office at 897-2814.

Deadline For Social News Is Monday!

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Food drive to be held by letter carriers on Saturday, May 12

On the second Saturday in May-May 12, 2007 letter carriers will collect the goodness and compassion of their postal customers participating in the 15th Annual National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive - the largest one day food drive in the nation.

All citizens need to do is place a box or can of non-perishable food next to their mailbox before the letter carrier delivers mail on Saturday, May 12. The carrier will take the rest. The food is taken back to a postal station and then delivered to the Way Food Bank where it will be made available to needy families.

An estimated 35,000 people face hunger every day in the Way Food Bank. This drive is one way people can help those who are right here in our area who need it.

In 2006, the drive collected

Engagement party honors Miss DeAnn Smith and Mr. Neil Grantham on Friday, April 13th

The long drive to the Boyd home in Richburg was marked by Bradford pears dressed in their full spring green when Lee and Harriette entertained at an engagement party honoring DeAnn Smith and Neil Grantham on Friday evening, April 13.

Vaughan Boyd Lyons of Birmingham greeted the guests at the entry where a black and white checkered overlay of kudzu vines filled to overflowing with white snowballs, white roses, white azaleas and English dogwood was suspended from a graceful shepherd's hook.

Lee and Janice Phillips invited everyone into the back garden where a large, hand-painted banner suspended between pine trees proclaimed "Congratulations, Neil and DeAnn." The red tulips splashed across the banner complimented the red geraniums that filled the hanging baskets outlining the arbor.

The pool area was brightened with flaming torches and masses of pillar candles on tall stands. A collection of tables, round, rectangular, and bistro, created a festive area. The tables were covered with white cloths topped with black and white checked runners. Each was centered with a black wrought iron five branch candelabrum banked in white snowballs.

Pre-dinner appetizers were served and then Maggie Dean Boyd and Amorette Helms opened the doors to the house where four serving tables presented an elaborate dinner display.

In the dining room the long table was draped in white linen and accented with black and white tulle overlay tied with black and white polka dot ribbon. A tall crystal champagne flute filled with white snowballs, variegated fern and black and white striped khalai and black placed over the white tablecloth created a nice background for Lee Boyd's handmade black and

white pottery. Delicacies served here included open-faced tomato sandwiches, bacon wrapped pineapple bites, and fresh vegetables and dips. A tall pedestal figurine held aloft snowballs and pinto beans.

Max and Kathy Bozeman made sure the sunroom was not overlooked. Here the white covered table was draped with a black and tan checkered overlay and featured a round of beef which was carved by Max, appropriately dressed in a white chef's hat and apron. A hand-woven cotton basket held rolls and miniature baskets offered a selection of condiments for sandwiches.

Dessert was served in the sunroom where the collection of white and wicker furniture was highlighted by the decor of the chocolate table. Here the overlay was of black and white polka dots tied with black and white ribbons. Warm chocolate flowed from the fountain centering the table and Lee's hand-made green pottery bowls, baskets, and trays held fresh strawberries, pineapple, and cherries for dipping as well as an assortment of crackers, cookies, and donut holes. Pat and Oliver Williams of Enterprise kept the chocolate flowing and the platters filled.

As the evening began to come to a close, toasts were made and gifts exchanged.

Lucia Stephens Grantham presented DeAnn with a gold cross, the Stephens' family cross which is worn by all the Stephens women and given to each bride as she enters the Stephens family. The crosses are handcrafted in Fairhope and are unique, being made only for this family. They are copies of a cross worn by the late Gayle Stephens.

DeAnn and Neil presented bottles of Genesis, an award winning wine, to the hosts. Each bottle was wrapped in a white linen hand towel monogrammed in the hosts' initials.

As the guests left, they remembered Harriette's toast to the couple, "May you always be as happy as you are tonight."

Bo Boyd of Dothan kept things moving in the breakfast room where a runner of zebra striped khaki and black placed over the white tablecloth created a nice background for Lee Boyd's handmade black and

NEW ARRIVAL

BENNETT COOK ANDERSON



Bennett Cook Anderson

Bennett Cook Anderson was born on April 27, 2007 at Flowers Hospital in Dothan. He weighed 8 pounds and 5 ounces and was 21 inches long. Ben was welcomed home by his brother Jack and parents Tom and Christina (Cook) Anderson of Enterprise.

Grandparents are Mr. Jimmy Cook and Mrs. Lynn Weeks, both of Elba and Dr. and Mrs. Jack Anderson of Point Clear. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Drexel Cook and Mrs. Merlene Owens, all of Elba and Mrs. Carolyn Dominick of Tuscaloosa.



ASHLEY HUDSON celebrated her birthday on May 8, 2007.

Red Cross CPR Classes in June

June C.P.R., Adult C.P.R. Monday June 11, Infant & Child C.P.R. June 12th, First Aid June 14th All classes are at 6p.m. at the Red Cross office in the Enterprise Civic Center. Call Janet McCrummen to register 334-347-2461. The cost to attend all 3 classes is \$35.00, 2-classes \$30.00, 1-class \$25.00

Ronald Farrington receives Marine ROTC Scholarship at Ocean Springs High School

On May 2, 2007, Ocean Springs High School, Ocean Springs, Mississippi, held its Senior Awards Program. Ronald Hunter Farrington received a Marine ROTC Scholarship of \$100,000 to the University of Mississippi, a Lucky Day Scholarship from the University of Mississippi in the amount of \$28,000 and an Academic Achievement Scholarship for \$7,000. Hunter also received a Mississippi Scholars Award from Ocean Springs High School. He graduates May 22, 2007.

Hunter is the son of Tina Adams Blackmon of Ocean Springs and Ronald Alan Farrington of Amarillo, Texas. His proud grandparents are the late Roy H. Adams and Lurline Adams of Elba, Alabama.

Ronald Farrington

CAROLYN HUDSON will celebrate her birthday with family on Thursday, May 10, 2007.

Beekopers announce June meeting date

The Southeast Alabama Beekopers Association will hold its monthly meeting on the 7th of June 2007 at 7 P.M. at the Coffee County Farm Center. Anyone interested in the honey-bee is welcome to attend. For more information please call Elizabeth Whitaker at 334-894-2077.

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CHURCH & AREA NEWS

PASTOR'S CORNER By Rev. Billy Redd Pastor of First Assembly of God - Elba

Time is moving on, quickly!

One of America's first missionary martyrs in the Amazon said, He is not a fool who gives what he cannot keep, to gain what he cannot lose. That rings with great truth to a heart filled with God's love! Today's Living Bible puts John 9:4 like this, "All of us must quickly carry out the task assigned us, for there is little time left before the night comes and all work comes to an end."

When I was a child, I paid very little attention to time. My friends and I played until we heard our Mommas calling to come home for supper. When you're a child, time just isn't a big issue. As we grow older though, it seems time begins to fly. I've heard others say that when you "retire" there's not enough time to get everything done. In our "older" years time becomes a gift to use wisely.

When Jesus was only thirty-three, HE said this in John 17:4, "I have finished the work which Thou gavest Me to do." What an early age to have completed life's assignment! However, at seventy years of age note what Paul said in Timothy 4:7, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course." Two great men who knew they had a destiny in life and accomplished it. So, how about you? Have you discovered God's will for your life yet? There is nothing any more important to any of us than determining our purpose.

That purpose includes God's will. I suggest that if you want to know what HIS will is, then simply ask HIM, According to James 1:5 HE will give you the wisdom to know.

That leads us to another question, "Are you doing the will of God?" When your life is over, will you be able to say, "I have finished the work you gave me to do?" Is your life making a difference? Time really is moving on at a quick pace.

Mrs. Dawson shares poem about Elba

An old, yellowed and brittle newspaper clipping from many years ago was recently sent to The Elba Clipper by Mrs. Onie Mae M. Dawson, an Elba native now living in Brewton, AL. It is a poem written by another Elba native, Gussie Rainer Higgins.

ELBA
Would you like to go back
Where you were reared
To the little home town
Where you were reared
Where all was love
And purity
Peace and joy
Security
Where a passenger train
Stopped once a day
Bringing the mail
The usual way
And the Christmas cards
Were shared by all
At the little post office
Near the big town hall
Gussie Rainer Higgins

Shiloh Baptist Church to celebrate 150th Anniversary on May 19 - 20

Shiloh Baptist Church will celebrate its 150th Anniversary on May 19-20, 2007. On May 19, there will be a spaghetti supper beginning at 5 p.m. with the Sullivan Family performing at 7 p.m. On May 20th, worship service will begin at 10:30 a.m. with dinner on the grounds beginning at 12 p.m. There will also be a recognition service at 2 p.m. followed by The Sullivan Family at 2:30 p.m.

Everyone is invited and former members and families of former members are encouraged to attend. For more information or to share pictures or other information about the church contact Pastor Joe Farris at 565-3596.

Country Cathedral to host Mother's Day singing on Sunday, May 13

Country Cathedral will be hosting a Mother's Day singing on Sunday, May 13 at 6 p.m. The Riverton Girls, a gospel bluegrass group, from Blountstown, FL will be featured that evening. Country Cathedral is located about 5 miles east of Opp, AL on HWY 84. For more information, call 334-493-7413.

Noon Hour Power Lunch set at First Baptist Church in Enterprise for May 15

Noon Hour POWER LUNCH: Sufferers of negative emotions that keep them from experiencing the 'Joy of the Lord' may join First Baptist Church on May 15, 2007 (3rd Tuesday of each month) to learn ways of surge protection from the enemy's stronghold. Get an infusion of power with the video lesson entitled Pleading to Be Set Free from Negative Emotions taken from Stormie Omartian's book, "The Power of a Praying Woman." All ladies in the community are invited to enjoy a light lunch (\$3.00) and bring a friend to the First Baptist Church at 302 North Main Street, Enterprise for this hour of refreshment from 12pm to 1pm. Call the church office at 393-LOVE by May 14 for lunch reservations.

the 11:15 worship service the guest speaker will be Rev. Hubert McWaters. Lunch will follow after morning worship.

The Jeff Treece Band to be the guest group for Chestnut Grove UMC gospel sing

A gospel singing will be held at Chestnut Grove United Methodist Church, located on County Road 110 (between Hwy. 125 and Hwy. 167), beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 19.

The featured singing group will be The Jeff Treece Band from Knoxville, Tenn. For more information call Gus Grant: (334) 897-6793 or 465-5555 or Bill Daughtry: (334)-735-2010

Gospel singing set for May 12, at Mustard Seed Christian Fellowship Church

Mustard Seed Christian Fellowship Church will host a gospel singing on May 12, 2007 beginning at 7 p.m. The Deep South Quartet from Clanton, Ala., will be in concert.

Church Directory

<p>ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH Samsom, Ala. Rev. Richard Thorne, Sr. Pastor Morn. Worship: 10:30 a.m. Even. Worship: 7:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ALBERTSON BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>BASKIN BAPTIST CHURCH Nathan Carroll, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship: 6:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>BETHLEHEM AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Elika Phillips-Casper, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Tue. Bible Study: 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH Darryl Caldwell, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Class: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH Dr. Tony Dye, Pastor Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Worship: 7:00 p.m. Disciple Train: 5:30 p.m. Even. Worship: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>BLUVE SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH Tom Seem, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH Robert Davis, Pastor Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship: 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Martha Baxter Church Service: 7:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays: 9:00 a.m. Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays: 10:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays: 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST E. H. Hill, Minister Morn. Study: 12:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 12:00 noon 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 4th Sundays</p> <p>COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH Mart Gray, Pastor Bible Study: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Wed. Night (Young Men and Women's Activities): 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Hubert McWaters Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH Dale Morgan-Minister Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH Philip Nelson, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD - KINSTON Doris Bradshaw, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH Ray Stinson, Pastor Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH Overseers - Bro Billy Berry Sat. Service: 6:00 p.m. Sun. Service: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 4:00 p.m.</p> <p>GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Willie L. Peterson, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship: 6:00 p.m. Wed. 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Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIVING WOOD PENTECOSTAL CHURCH Rev. & Mary Stinson, Pastors Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Tue. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. Wed. Evening: 7:00 p.m. Wed. Youth Service: 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST Greg Henders, Minister Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>LOVE'S WAY CHURCH Rev. Charles R. Jones, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH J. B. Parks, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Sundays</p> <p>MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH Fred Fowler, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH Richard B. Moss, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Larry Grimes-Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD Ray Layton, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MELBERRY HILLS CHURCH OF CHRIST R. B. Williams, Minister Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Class: 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>MUSTARD SEED FOUNDATION Mary Seavey Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service: 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL. CHURCH Hiram & Linda Williams, Pastors Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 7:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST - ENTERPRISE W. K. Ellison, Pastor Morn. Worship: 9:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Tue. Evening: 7:00 p.m. Wed. Evening: 7:00 p.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays</p> <p>NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Loreal Flowers, Minister Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH Nathaniel Fleming, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:30 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Sun Nights</p> <p>PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD Mickey Goodwin, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>PRASE & GLORY WORSHIP CENTER Betty Morris, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays</p> <p>ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH A. R. Williams, Pastor Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:30 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 6:00 p.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays</p> <p>ROETON BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. L. L. Flowers, Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. 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Student Spotlight



This week's student spotlight is focused on Elba High's very own **Chance Goosby**. Chance is in the eighth grade and the 14-year-old son of Kevin Goosby and Paula Moreau. He likes to play basketball.

Chance's plans after graduation are to attend a college of his choice. When he was asked to describe himself he said, bad, funny and, of course, cute!

Teacher Spotlight

by Justin Williams

This week's Teacher Spotlight goes out to **Mrs. Marsha Crawford**.

Mrs. Crawford is a business/marketing teacher at Elba High School. She is the mother of 12-year-old Zachary and the wife of Chuck Crawford.

Mrs. Crawford attended college at Enterprise-Ozark Community College and Troy University and has been teaching for 14 years. In her spare time, she plays the piano for her church and enjoys scrapbooking.

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Tiger Tales

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Elba High student athlete receives SportQuest all-American Award

by Michael Hall

Elba High School student athlete Melanie Mularz earned Second Team all-American recognition as one of the top high school Christian student athletes in America.

Nominations were accepted from over 20,000 high schools nationwide, and approximately 2,000 applications were received. Athletes were selected for their academic accomplishments, athletic achievements, and Christian character to represent some of the brightest and most accomplished high school student athletes in the nation.

Elba FFA club elects officers
Submitted by Ruthmary Merklin, FFA Reporter
(Edited by Ryan McCollough)

The Elba High School chapter of the Future Farmers of America (FFA) recently elected new officers.

The officers for the 2007-2008 school year are: Beasley Wilson, president; Jamison Baker, vice president; Michael Spurlin, sentinel; Megan Anderson, treasurer; Ruthmary Merklin, reporter; and Heather Simmons, secretary.

The SportQuest all-American program, now in its eleventh year, was created to reward and encourage high school student athletes who are impacting their schools, communities, and generation in a powerful way.

"We want to congratulate Melanie Mularz on being selected to represent her school, city, state, and country as one of the finest Christian student athletes in America," said Kent Susud, SportQuest founder and president.

As a result of Melanie's award, she will receive numerous benefits, which include an exclusive student/athlete profile that is made available to over 1,500 colleges and universities throughout the United States, a certificate of achievement, and an invitation to travel with a SportQuest summer team.

The children were very excited Friday, April 27, to take a break from their class work to show their skills on field during the Elba Elementary School's annual Field Day.

The students have been practicing and counting down the weeks until field day. The activities included: dizzy bat, 100-yard dash, sack race, 50-yard

Students compete in EOCC Math Tournament

by Melanie Mularz

The elementary students were not the only students at Elba Friday, April 27, competing.

While EES was holding its annual field day, 22 students from Elba High School took a trip to Ozark to compete in the EOCC Math Tournament. The tournament consisted of four different divisions, Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry and Advanced Math.

Other schools from across South Alabama participated in the tournament, making the tournament more challenging for the students. Katie Cash received honorable mention in the Advanced Math portion, and Shanika Pruitt also received honorable mention in Geometry.



Elba High School's Shanika Pruitt received honorable mention in geometry while Katie Cash received honorable mention in advanced math during the EOCC Math Tournament held Friday, April 27.



The following EHS students participated in the math competition: Justin McLaughlin, Lindsay McClung, Janae Canley, Edward Bobbitt, Kayla Rials, Bethany Wilson, Jordan McBride, Kim Blue, Shelby Adeock, Dylan McCollough, Shanika Pruitt, Jason Mitchell, April Finadore, Robin Hudson, Griffin Cash, Ashley Bailey, Cortlin Lee, Brianna Bailey, Sydney Brunson, Katie Cash, Jason Johnson and Melanie Mularz.

School students and faculty enjoy annual Field Day

by Ciara Burrows

dash, obstacle course and musical chairs. Several parents turned out to watch their children participate in the numerous activities. The EHS Ambassadors also helped the elementary school by providing workers to oversee the different activities.

Overall field day was a success and was enjoyed by all who attended.



Elba bands conduct annual Band Day

by Lauren McClung

On Saturday, April 28, the Elba Elementary School and Elba High School bands gathered at the Elba Recreation Center for Band Day 2007.

Both bands performed a mini concert to display what they have been working on for the spring concert. A barbeque plate fundraiser also was held, and people, young and old, were waiting to retrieve their delicious lunch.

Band Day is held each year in April as a fundraiser for the band program at Elba High School because of its financial interdependency from the high school. Barbeque plates are sold each year and games are set up as a way to raise money for new instruments, bus rides to away games and marching contests, and new music.

Both bands did an excellent job displaying their talents and the spring concert will be held later in May.

The band extends a big thank you to all the band boosters who helped put band day together and to all the citizens of Elba who continue to support the band programs.

Elba High students take trip to Alabama Shakespeare Festival



(By Erica Daniels)...On Thursday, April 26, forty-six Elba High School students visited the Alabama Shakespeare Festival in Montgomery, Ala. The romantic comedy they viewed was entitled, "Thinking of You," and starred six different characters: Julie Mae Delacroix (a novice psychic), Celeste Delacroix (Julie's mother/a psychic), Sheldon Jennings (Julie's older brother/a lawyer), Leonard Belle (an English teacher), Arthur Fragonard (a mature psychic and former love of Celeste) and Sharon Pendegast (girlfriend of Sheldon and first disastrous blind date of Len). The setting is the spring of 1990 in the New Orleans' Garden District in the Delacroix home. The students enjoyed this day away from school.

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FROM THE COCKPIT

New Brockton High School News

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Students enjoy 2007 Prom



Juniors and Seniors enjoy their "Red Carpet Affair" prom.



Justin Corbitt
Valedictorian - Class of 2007
New Brockton High School

Adam Crosby
Salutatorian - Class of 2007
New Brockton High School

Students complete medical coding class offered by LBWCC - MacArthur Campus

The Medical Coding Class is a short-term training course is offered by LBWCC's Adult Education and Skills Training Division.

The focus of this 15-week (60 hrs.) study course is learning the coding rules for the CPT, ICD-9-CM, and Level II (HCPCS) coding systems and applying the rules to code DRG, APC, RUGSIII. Coders abstract information from the patient record and combine it with their knowledge of reimbursement and coding guidelines to optimize physician payment within compliance.

This course requires 10 hours per week study time outside of class. Previous medical training or coding experience is not required to enroll in the Medical Coding Class.

Upon completion, students will be eligible to sit for certification exam.

For more information or to register, contact Cindy Green on the MacArthur Campus at (334) 493-5344 or cgreen@lbwcc.edu.



Pictured are seven students (along with their instructor) who recently completed the Medical Coding Class offered by LBW Community College. Front Row (left to right): Kaci Jones (Andalusia), Lisa Franklin (Florida), Rachel Andrews (Andalusia), and Hazel Kimbro (Dozier). Back Row (left to right): Amanda McKinney (New Brockton), Regina Short (Opp), Jenny Adams (Instructor), and Jill Runkel (Gantt). Not pictured Janyth Grimes (Andalusia).



New Junior Varsity Cheerleaders...The 2007-08 Junior Varsity Cheerleaders for New Brockton High School were recently selected. They include: (front, left to right) Darian Morrow, Kaitlyn Turner, Shelby Adkins, Sloan Cotter, Kaitlyn Crosby and Kimberly Stephenson; (back, left to right) Brandi Hendrix, Darnley Mock, Jenna Freese and Kayla Shiver. The new sponsor for the junior varsity squad is Ms. Joanna Hawkins.

Troy University seeking performers for upcoming community production

Troy University's College of Communications and Fine Arts is looking for just a few good actors to audition for an upcoming musical.

The College's Department of Speech and Theatre and John M. Long School of Music will hold auditions for "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" Tuesday, May 15, at 7 p.m. in the Claudia Crosby Theater, and is seeking high school students, community members and Troy University students for cast and crew positions.

Those interested in the backstage areas are welcome to come and talk with technical director Chris Rich and costumer John Patton.

Co-director and vocal director Tori Lee, said people wishing to audition for the show should dress comfortably and wear shoes that allow movement. She also said that no preparation of material is needed to audition.

Callbacks are slated for Thursday, May 17. Rehearsals and production begin Monday, May 21, for the play that runs June 29-30.

"Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" began life as a MGM musical in 1954. In 1981, the stage version was created and in 1982 the original Broadway version debuted.

The musical is set in 1850s Oregon and is about "Millie," a

young bride who plans to civilize and marry off her six rowdy brothers-in-law in order to save her own marriage to the elder brother, "Adam." The plan backfires when the brothers kidnap six women from a neighboring town to be their brides.

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Annual Water Quality Report January - December 2006 NEW HOPE WATER SYSTEM, INC.

PWSID #AL0000303
317 County Rd. 130 Jack, AL 36346 Phone (334) 735-2287

We are pleased to present to you this year's Annual Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water.

Water Sources: One groundwater well producing from the Clayton aquifer; and purchased water from Pike County Water Authority (6 wells producing from the Tuscaloosa and Ripley aquifers)

Water Treatment: Chlorination

Storage Capacity: One tank with a total capacity of 100,000 gallons

Number of Customers: Approximately 500

Board Members: Larry Egerton, President; Vicent Ziglar, Vice President; Michael Goodson, Member
Operator: Mack King, Certified Operator

SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT

In compliance with the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM), New Hope Water System, Inc. has developed a Source Water Assessment plan that will assist in protecting our water sources. This plan provides additional information such as potential sources of contamination. It includes a susceptibility analysis, which classifies potential contaminants as high, moderate, or non-susceptible (low) to contaminating the water source. Of the 9 potential contaminants sited in our study area, only one was considered highly susceptible. The rest were rated low, or non-susceptible. The assessment has been performed, public notification has been completed, and the plan has been approved by ADEM. This plan is available in our office for review, or you may call our Secretary-Treasurer at 334-735-2287.

At New Hope Water System, we work around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. Please help us make this effort worthwhile by protecting our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future. You can help by disposing of waste in the proper manner and reporting someone else who might not be doing so. Carefully follow instructions on pesticides and herbicides you use for your lawn and garden, and properly dispose of household chemicals, paints and waste oil.

QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Larry Egerton at 334-393-0452 or Charlotte Egerton at 334-735-2287. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the first Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the New Hope Baptist Church fellowship hall.

Thank you for allowing us to continue providing your family with clean, quality water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit all of our customers. These improvements are sometimes reflected as rate structure adjustments. Thank you for understanding.

Contaminants Monitored	New Hope	Pike County
Inorganic Contaminants	2004	2004
Lead/Copper	2004	2004
Microbiological Contaminants	2005	2005
Nitrate	2005	2005
Radioactive Contaminants	2003	2004
Synthetic Organic Contaminants (including herbicides and pesticides)	2003	2004
Volatile Organic Contaminants	2003	2005
Disinfection By-products	2004	2005

Contaminant	NO	Range	Unit	ppb	#	#	Source
Antimony	NO	6.00 Range 2.00-6.00 (Pike County)	ppb	6	6	6	Discharge from petroleum refineries; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder
Barium	NO	0.13 Range ND - 0.13 (Pike County)	ppm	2	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Chromium	NO	1.00 Range ND - 1.00 (Pike County)	ppb	100	100	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits
Copper	NO	0.075 0 Above Action Level	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Fluoride	NO	2.00 Range ND-2.03 (Pike County)	ppm	4	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
THM (Total trihalomethanes)	NO	2.20 Range ND-6.61	ppb	0	80	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination
HAAs (Total haloacetic acids)	NO	0.34 Range ND-1.01	ppb	0	60	60	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Chloroform	NO	1.32 (Pike County)	ppb	n/a	n/a	n/a	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
Bromodichloromethane	NO	1.75 (Pike County)	ppb	n/a	n/a	n/a	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
Chlorodibromomethane	NO	1.38 (Pike County)	ppb	n/a	n/a	n/a	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
Bromoform	NO	1.40 (Pike County)	ppb	n/a	n/a	n/a	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
Aluminum	NO	Avg. 0.02 Range ND-0.04	ppm	n/a	0.2	0.2	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
Chloride	NO	Avg. 12.1 Range 1.73-22.5	ppm	n/a	250	250	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
Iron	NO	Avg. 0.18 Range 0.04-0.20	ppm	n/a	0.3	0.3	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
Manganese	NO	Avg. 0.04 Range ND-0.07	ppm	n/a	0.05	0.05	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
Sulfate	NO	Avg. 21.1 Range 7.84-34.4	ppm	n/a	250	250	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
Total Dissolved Solids	NO	Avg. 227 Range 153-350	ppm	n/a	500	500	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
Zinc	NO	Avg. 0.01 Range ND-0.02	ppm	n/a	5	5	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff

* 90% percentile = 0.076 ppm and # of sites above action level (1.3 ppm) = 0

Contaminant	MCL	Unit of Meas.	Contaminant	MCL	Unit of Meas.
Total Coliform Bacteria	< 5 %	present or absent	Endrin	2	ppb
Fecal Coliform Bacteria	present or absent		Epichlorohydrin	Not required	
Turbidity	TT	NTU	Glyphosate	700	ppb
Beta/beta emitters	4	mrem/yr	Heptachlor	400	Nanogram/ml
Alpha emitters	15	pCi/l	Heptachlor epoxide	200	Nanogram/ml
Combined radium	5	pCi/l	Hexachlorobenzene	1	ppb
Antimony	6	ppb	Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	50	ppb
Arsenic	50	ppb	Lindane	200	Nanogram/ml
Asbestos	7	MFL	Methoxychlor	40	ppb
Barium	2	ppm	Oxamyl (Vydate)	200	ppb
Beryllium	4	ppb	PCBs	500	Nanogram/ml
Cadmium	5	ppb	Pentachlorophenol	1	ppb
Chromium	100	ppb	Picloram	500	ppb
Copper	AL=1.3	ppm	Simazine	4	ppb
Cyanide	200	ppb	Toxaphene	3	ppb
Fluoride	4	ppm	Benzene (ppb)	5	ppb
Lead	AL=15.0	ppb	Carbon tetrachloride (ppb)	5	ppb
Mercury	2	ppb	Chlorobenzene (ppb)	100	ppb
Nitrate	10	ppm	Dibromochloropropane (ppb)	200	ppb
Nitrite	1	ppm	o-Dichlorobenzene (ppb)	600	ppb
Selenium	50	ppb	p-Dichlorobenzene (ppb)	75	ppb
Thallium	2	ppb	1,1-Dichloroethane (ppb)	5	ppb
2,4-D (ppb)	70	ppb	dis-1,2-Dichloroethylene (ppb)	70	ppb
2,4,5-TP (Silvex) (ppb)	50	ppb	trans-1,2-Dichloroethylene (ppb)	100	ppb
Acrylamide	Not required		Dichloromethane (ppb)	5	ppb
Alachlor (ppb)	2	ppb	1,2-Dichloropropane (ppb)	5	ppb
Atrazine (ppb)	3	ppb	Ethylbenzene (ppb)	700	ppb
Benz(a)pyrene (PAHs)	200	Nanogram/ml	Ethylene dibromide (ppb)	50	ppb
Carbofuran	40	ppb	Styrene (ppb)	100	ppb
Chlordane	2	ppb	Tetrachloroethylene (ppb)	5	ppb
Dalapon	200	ppb	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene (ppb)	70	ppb
Di (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate ()	400	ppb	1,1,1-Trichloroethane (ppb)	200	ppb
Di (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate ()	6	ppb	1,1,2-Trichloroethane (ppb)	5	ppb
Dinoseb	7	ppb	Trichloroethylene (ppb)	5	ppb
Diquat	20	ppb	Toxene (ppm)	1	ppm
Disinfectants (2,3,7,8-TCDF)	30	Picogram/ml	Vinyl Chloride (ppb)	2	ppb
Endosulfan (ppb)	100	ppb	Xylene (ppm)	19	ppm
			THM (Total trihalomethanes) (ppb)	80	ppb
			HAAs (Total haloacetic acids) (ppb)	80	ppb

Farm Reservoir Act to help farmers reduce impact of droughts and increase productivity

U.S. Representative Terry Everett, R-Rehoboth, introduced legislation in the U.S. House recently to assist America's farmers in overcoming drought conditions while enabling them to increase farm productivity.

Rep. Everett's Farm Reservoir Act is cosponsored by Reps. Robert Aderholt, Jo Bonner, and Mike Rogers of Alabama and Jim Marshall of Georgia.

"Two of the greatest challenges facing America's agriculture industry are drought and the loss of farm land to development," observed Rep. Everett, a senior member of the House Agriculture Committee. "As a result, farmers are struggling to produce their crops on lands which are not being effectively utilized. Expensive annual disaster assistance does little to address the root of the problem - the inability to reliably and affordably access water for irrigation."

"American agriculture can overcome the set-backs of drought and diminishing farm acreage by making existing farm land more productive," Everett added. "I have introduced the Farm Reservoir Act in order to accomplish this."

"The promotion of small, on-farm storage reservoirs is an economical way to save water for agriculture use. The collection and storage of surface water during the off-season, when rainfall and stream levels are typically high, can make irrigation possible in areas where direct pumping from streams, lakes, or wells during the growing season is not feasible."

"In addition to protecting our nation's farmers from the costly effects of drought, enhancing their irrigation capacity will allow our farmers to expand production and increase the productivity of existing acres. My legislation would provide cost-share assistance to construct small, environmentally-friendly, on-farm reservoirs."

"The advantage of greater farm productivity is apparent in that it would provide the tools necessary to grow additional bio-fuel crops, which will allow us to wean ourselves from foreign oil. This will reduce harm-

"Relay for Life" Happenings:

The Peoples Bank of Coffee County will hold a "Relay for Life" Bake Sale Friday, May 11, during regular banking hours. Baked goodies to include cakes, pies, cookies, brownies, etc. will be on display in the lobby of the bank for sale. Proceeds from the bake sale will benefit the Coffee County Relay for Life set for Friday, May 18.

CenturyTel announces May 25th deadline for changes to white and yellow pages directory

The final day for changing or adding a listing in the CenturyTel, Inc. (NYSE: CTL) upcoming Dothan, Enterprise and Ozark telephone directories is May 25.

Area residents in Abbeville, Arion, Banks, Brundidge, Clo, Columbia, Daleville-Fort Rucker, Dothan, Echo, Elba, Enterprise, Headland, Louisville, Midland City, New Brockton, Newton, Newville, Ozark, Pinckard, Slocomb and Wicksburg should review their listings in the current directory to determine if changes are needed. The 2007 directories are scheduled for distribution to residents and businesses in September.

Customers can make changes to their published white page listings by visiting CenturyTel retail stores, located at 150 Technology Drive in Dothan and 294 Andrews Avenue in Ozark. Toll free customer service is also available by calling 1-800-201-4099 (residential) or 1-800-201-4102 (business).

To request or update Yellow Pages listings, call 1-800-396-9099.

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ful greenhouse gas emissions by increasing the availability of the cleaner burning fuels these crops produce."

Under the Everett Farm Reservoir Act, cost share assistance would be provided through the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) to assist farmers with



MEMBERS OF THE ELBA HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1953 gathered Saturday, April 21, at Ryan's steakhouse in Enterprise for their annual class reunion. In 2003, the class members celebrated their 50th reunion and, at that point, decided to make the event an annual venture set for the third Saturday in April each year. Class members attending this year's reunion included: (seated, floor) Ned Maddox; (seated, chairs) Agnes Wilson, Jane Mack, Danette B. Prescott, Sue Bryan, JoAnn DeVane and Robert L. Hodge; (standing) Clyde Bentley, Sam Moore, Joe Pete Morrow, Merle Clark, Betty Gill, Mack Donaldson and LaVon Sawyer.

NOTICE:

On the second Saturday in May - May 12, 2007 - letter carriers will collect the goodness and compassion of their postal customers participating in the 15th Annual National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive - the largest one day food drive in the nation.

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COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES, PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS FOR THE SIX MONTH PERIOD ENDED MARCH 31, 2007

	GENERAL	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	CAPITAL PROJECTS	PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE ENTERPRISE	FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES EXPENDABLE TRUST	***TOTALS*** MEMORANDUM ONLY
REVENUES							
TAXES	2,655,721.39	1,993,316.95					4,649,038.34
LICENSES & PERMITS	49,233.87						49,233.87
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	295,294.35	1,380,730.91					1,676,025.26
CHARGES FOR SERVICE	835,378.25	95,570.54			2,684,588.96	14,988.86	3,630,522.61
MISCELLANEOUS	155,321.82	715,072.89	3,024.89	820.42	83,290.19	32,712.97	990,243.78
TOTAL REVENUES	3,954,948.43	4,184,691.29	3,024.89	820.42	2,767,877.15	47,699.83	10,959,162.89
EXPENDITURES							
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	1,534,540.08	296,807.58				43,974.77	1,875,322.43
PUBLIC SAFETY	1,429,578.68	19,035.49					1,448,614.17
HIGHWAYS AND ROADS		2,053,661.58			1,704,913.16		2,053,661.58
SANITATION							1,704,913.16
HEALTH	16,296.41						16,296.41
PUBLIC WELFARE	22,574.50	120,493.13					143,067.63
CULTURE AND RECREATION	6,000.00						6,000.00
EDUCATION	29,263.96						29,263.96
CAPITAL OUTLAY	122,981.63	1,100,184.26					1,223,165.89
DEBT SERVICE							
PRINCIPAL RETIREMENT		426,208.28	295,000.00		1,908.62		726,417.90
INTEREST		32,716.97	174,211.89		14,704.31		221,633.17
FEEES AND OTHER CHARGES		3,492.50			2,874.80		6,367.30
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	61,500.00						61,500.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,322,886.26	4,055,900.70	469,211.89	0.00	1,724,400.89	43,974.77	9,616,384.60
EXCESS REVENUE OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	632,052.22	128,790.50	(466,187.20)	820.42	1,043,576.26	3,725.06	1,342,778.26
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)							
LOAN PROCEEDS		711,562.00					711,562.00
BOND PROCEEDS					85,000.00		85,000.00
PROCEEDS FROM INCEPTION OF CAPITAL LEASE							
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	27,018.17	1,252,380.00	526,576.22				1,805,974.39
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	(472,578.83)	(1,038,896.14)					(1,511,474.97)
OTHER USES							
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(445,560.66)	925,045.86	526,576.22	0.00	(982,481.17)	(2,018.17)	211,562.00
EXCESS REVENUE AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER (UNDER) OTHER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES	186,491.56	1,053,834.36	60,389.02	820.42	751,095.01	1,706.89	2,064,340.26
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT) - 09/30/2006	1,613,847.59	1,703,394.30	63,338.48	94,328.19	4,123,490.26	205,691.35	7,804,090.18
FUND BALANCE - ENDING 03/31/2007	1,800,342.15	2,767,228.66	123,727.51	95,148.61	4,874,585.27	207,398.24	9,858,430.44

Detailed statements of individual fund revenue and expenditures are available for public inspection at the County Commission Office during regular hours Monday-Friday. The totals are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented merely to aid financial analysis. Information in this statement does not present the County's financial position or results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles; neither is data comparable to a consolidation of county funds; that is interfund elimination has not been used in totaling these figures. These figures represent unaudited data.

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS AS OF MARCH 31, 2007

General Obligation Warrants- 2004	1,040,000
5.04 Gasoline Tax Anticipation Warrants	355,000
5.06 Gasoline Tax Anticipation Warrants	125,000
Loans Payable to Banks	39,867
2002 Construction Warrants	1,438,000
Landfill Warrants	
Lease Purchase Equipment	1,741,702
Landfill Lease Purchase Equipment	608,294
Rail-Off Lease Purchase Equipment	223,100
Amounts in Escrow	(122,770)
Total Indebtedness	5,440,186

Kathleen Newman
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Assistant County Administrator

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GARAGE SALE - May 12th 7AM-1PM: 4 Family 14522-14620 Hwy. 87 South - Samson Hwy. 806-5793. 5-10-12c

BIG YARD/MOVING SALE - SAT, MAY 12, 7:00 - 1:00 - 1468 Highland Dr. 5-10-12c

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THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Melissa completed her final exams in college last week, which means for most days this summer I will have both my girls back home sleeping in their own rooms. I know the girls are 24 and 18 and will soon be out of the house, but it is a very good feeling for this 'ole Dad to go to bed at night knowing his girls are safe and sound at home.

FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH....

*** The Elba Lady Tigers hosted the Class 3A, Area 2 softball tournament last week and surprised lots of folks by claiming the tournament title. The Lady Tigers carried a 10-15 record into the tournament and were coming off a fifth place finish in their own tourney the weekend before, but put it all together in the two-day event as they posted three wins in four games to win the area championship. Eighth-grader Lindsey Carnley was the winning pitcher in all three games Elba won and pitched like a veteran, while at the plate the girls got hits when they had to and scored just enough runs to get the job done as all three wins were by only one run. Winning the area tournament is no small task, and on a team with just two seniors, it should make the players believe even more wins and titles should be on the way.

*** The Kinston Lady Bulldogs weren't excited about having to travel to Arton to compete in the Class 1A, Area 4 tournament, but used excellent pitching and timely hitting to win three straight games as they took home the title. The Lady Bulldogs' 1-2 pitching punch of Kaliegh Sanders and Bethany Holley didn't allow a single run in the three games, allowed only four hits and struck out 25 batters to lead Kinston into sub-state action, while at the plate the Lady Bulldogs scored a total of 22 runs as they easily rolled to the area crown. There will be no easy games left in their quest for a state title. However, the girls from Kinston appear focused and ready to meet the challenge head on.

*** The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks placed second in the Class 2A, Area 5 tournament to earn the right to advance into sub-state play this week. New Brockton posted lopsided wins over Barbour County 18-0 and 25-1 to place second in the three-team event, and the young Lady Gamecock team should gain valuable experience by playing on the road in sub-state action. Everyone knew the girls from New Brockton were a dangerous team and were much better than their record indicated, and now they will get the chance to do so to surprise even more folks.

*** The Brantley Lady Bulldogs also qualified for this week's sub-state play as they finished second in the Class 1A, Area 2 tournament. The Lady Bulldogs had a hard time getting hits in their losses to area champ Pleasant Home, but showed they could score runs in bunches in wins over Florala 12-0 and 21-1, and have very good young team. Brantley will run head first into Kinston in the next round of play. However, these girls never back down and are getting better and better every time they take the field, and should be a team to watch for years to come.

*** The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels were given little chance of even winning a game last weekend at the Class 1A, Area 4 tournament in Arton, and with Kinston, Arton and Providence rounding out the four-team field, it was easy to see why the predictions weren't so rosy. The Lady Rebels didn't advance, but they did eliminate Providence and battled Arton to the final out twice before seeing their season end. The softball program up at Zion Chapel has grown by leaps and bounds in recent years, and with a winning junior varsity team and lots of youth on the varsity, one has to believe the Lady Rebels will be big winners for years to come.

*** In closing.... The Alabama High School Athletic Association released its quarterly bulletin last week and the report indicated that over the past four months the state had collected almost \$38,000 in fines from its member schools. The fines were for such incidents as unsportsmanlike conduct by players and coaches to failure to follow state guidelines in transfers.

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Elba Pirates turn gem

Triple-play highlights Dixie Minor action

Action continued last week in Dixie Baseball and Dixie Softball Leagues, with the highlight of the week's action being a triple play turned by the Elba Pirates in a Dixie Minor contest, in Elba.

The rare defensive gem came in the game between the Elba Pirates and Samson, when Pirate first-baseman Chas Moseley snagged a line drive behind the base, tagged the runner off the bag for the second out and then threw to second to retire a runner that had been caught off the base.

Following are highlights of last week's action played in Elba:

*** **Samson 17 Elba Pirates 8** - Samson staged a late rally to claim a 17-8 win over the Elba Pirates, in Dixie Minor action. Chance Johnson and Ty Stewart both had a single and a double to lead the Pirates, while Harley Sanders added a double and Tafi Logan and Kenneth Neil Amison both added singles. Matthew Stacy had a single and a double to lead Samson, while Kaleb Knight and Caleb Johnson both added singles.

*** **Elba Sox 9 Samson 1** - The Elba Sox rolled to a 9-1 win over Samson, in Dixie Youth action. Austin Johnson hit a 3-run homer to lead the Sox at the plate, while Tyler Anderson



SAFE AT HOME.... A Kinston runner slides safely at home just before the catcher can apply the tag. Dixie Minor and Dixie Youth baseball action is held nightly in Elba and surrounding towns beginning at 6:00 p.m.

(Photo by Mike Capps)

added 2 hits and Justin Pope pitched a complete game and allowed only one run, while striking out 6 batters.

Ten-Star Basketball Camps now accepting applications

Final applications are now being evaluated for the Ten Star All-Star Summer Basketball Camps, set for sites around the nation. Participation in the camps is by invitation only and the camps are open to boys and girls ages 10-19. Past participants include Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Vince Carter, Jerry Stackhouse, Grant Hill, and others.

"Next Level" basketball camp set for EOCC June 25-28

Ray Lolley Gymnasium on the campus of Enterprise-Ozark Community College will be the setting for the Second Annual "Next Level" Basketball Camp June 25-28, said EOCC coach John Ayers.

"The camp is for players ages 12 and up," Ayers said. "George Scott and EOCC players, both men and women, will join me as instructors."

Camp times are 1:30-6 p.m. Monday-Thursday.

"This camp is for those players who are hopeful of taking their game to the next level, whatever that level may be," Ayers said. "Whether it's to make a team, get more playing time on the existing team they're on or if it's to learn to play better, this camp is

*** **Elba Braves 6 Kinston Blue 3** - The Elba Braves claimed an exciting 6-3 win over the Kinston Blue. Scoring one run for the Braves were Dalton Sewell, Grant Akridge,

Shawn Camley, Quan Jordan, Trey Funk and Austin Watkins. Zane Sladky had a single to lead Kinston, while Lucas Taylor scored 2 runs and Michael Crohn scored 1 run.

* Tee-Ball Baseball * Coach-Pitch Baseball *
* Dixie Minor Baseball * Dixie Youth Baseball *
* Dixie Boys Baseball * Dixie Angels Softball *
* Dixie Ponytails Softball *

SCHEDULES

** BASEBALL **

Tee-Ball Baseball
(Hawkins-Williams, Blue Field)

Thursday, May 10
5:30 - Roosters vs. Swallows

Tuesday, May 15
5:30 - Whales vs. Swallows

Coach-Pitch Baseball
(Hawkins-Williams, Red Field)

Thursday, May 10
5:30 - Thunders vs. Chiefs

Tuesday, May 15
5:30 - Spirit vs. Chiefs

Dixie Minor Baseball
Dixie Youth Baseball

Thursday, May 10
In Elba (Legion Field):
6:00 - Elba Pirates vs. Brantley Green

Friday, May 11
In New Brockton:
6:00 - NB White vs. Brantley Green

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Following are highlights of the tournament action:

ELBA 4 PIKE COUNTY 3

The Elba Lady Tigers scored two runs in their final at-bat to force extra innings and then pushed across the winning run in the bottom of the ninth to open the tournament with an exciting 4-2 win over Pike County, on Thursday afternoon.

The Lady Tigers stranded six base runners in the opening five innings and trailed 3-0 heading into the bottom of the sixth, but plated one run in the frame to get on the scoreboard as Melanie Mularz led off the inning with a double and scored on an rbi single by Kayla Miller.

Elba trailed 3-1 entering the bottom of the seventh, but combined one hit with two Pike County errors to score two runs and pull even. A one-out double by Lindsey Carnley sparked the Lady Tiger rally, and Carnley raced home on an error off the bat of Toshamba Jones to cut the lead to 2-1. Jones scored with two outs when a fly ball by Melanie Mularz was mishandled in centerfield, and the Lady Tigers headed into extra innings with the score tied at 3-3.

The score was still tied at 3-3 heading into the bottom of the ninth. However, the Lady Tigers pushed across an unearned run as Lindsey Carnley reached on an error, moved to second on a sacrifice bunt by Toshamba Jones, and then raced home when Ashley Carpenter drilled a single up the middle to give Elba the exciting 4-3 win.

Kayla Miller had 3 hits to lead Elba at the plate, while Ashley Carpenter added 2 hits and 1 rbi, Lindsey Carnley had 1 hit and scored 2 runs, Melanie Mularz and Toshamba Jones both had 1 hit and scored 1 run, and April Finesore added 1 hit. Lindsey Carnley came in to relieve and picked up the win inside the circle as she pitched four innings and allowed no runs on one hit, with five strike-outs. Brandy Caldwell was the starting pitcher and pitched four innings on and allowed two runs on one hit and two walks, while striking out eight batters, and Bethany Wilson pitched one inning in relief and allowed one run on two hits.

ELBA 4 STRAUGHN 3
The Elba Lady Tigers grabbed an early lead and survived a late rally to claim a 4-3 win over Straughn, in second round action Thursday night. Elba batted first in the contest and combined 3 hits with 1 walk and 2 errors to grab a quick 3-0 advantage. Lindsey Carnley led off the game with a single and then raced home on a Straughn error on a hunt by Toshamba Jones to give Elba a 1-0 lead, while Ashley Carpenter followed with a double and scored when Melanie Mularz delivered an rbi single. Mularz scored on an error off the bat of Kayla Miller, and the Lady Tigers were in charge early with a 3-0 lead.

Straughn cut the Elba lead to 3-1 in its half of the inning, only to see Elba add a run in the top of the second to move its lead to 4-1. The Lady Tiger run came when Toshamba Jones ripped a line drive past a diving Straughn outfielder and then raced around the bases for an inside-the-park home-run.

Straughn cut the lead to 4-2 in the third inning and then pulled within 4-3 in the sixth to set up wild finish. In the bottom of the seventh Straughn used a single and a hit batter to put runners on second and third with two outs. However, Elba pitcher Lindsey Carnley struck out the game's final batter as the Lady Tigers survived with the 4-3 win.

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STRAUGHN 8 ELBA 1
The Elba Lady Tigers suffered their first loss of the double-elimination event Friday night in an 8-1 setback to Straughn.

Ashley Carpenter reached on an error and later scored on a wild pitch as Elba scored in the bottom of the first inning to pull even at 1-1, and the score remained tied at 1-1 until the top of the third, when Straughn combined 2 hits with 3 Elba errors to plate 3 runs and moved ahead 4-1.

The Lady Tigers managed only three base runners over the final four innings. However, Straughn combined 4 hits with three more Elba errors and scored in every inning to pull away and claimed the 8-1 win.

Lindsey Carnley, Haley Stinson and Molly McGuire all had 1 hit to lead Elba at the plate, while Ashley Carpenter scored one run and Melanie Mularz recorded one rbi.

Brandy Caldwell was the game's starting pitcher and was tagged with the loss as she pitched four innings and allowed four runs (one earned run) on five hits. Bethany Wilson pitched three innings in relief and allowed three runs on four hits.



ELBA LADY TIGER LINDSEY CARNLEY keeps her eye on the ball as she swings for a base hit in recent high school softball action. Carnley was the winning pitcher in all three wins last week as the Lady Tigers won the Class 3A, Area 2 title.

(Photo by Mike Capps)



ELBA LADY TIGER MELANIE MULARZ applies the tag to a base runner in recent high school softball action. The Lady Tigers upped their record to 13-16 last week by winning the area tournament.

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CLASS 3A, AREA 2 SOFTBALL CHAMPIONS.... The Elba Lady Tigers were all smiles last week after winning the Class 3A, Area 2 softball tournament. The Lady Tigers claimed three wins in four games to win the title.

Kinston Lady Bulldogs dominate play at Class 1A, Area 4 softball tournament

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs traveled to Arton last weekend to compete in the Class 1A, Area 4 Softball Tournament and rolled through the four-team event without a loss to bring home the area championship.

The Lady Bulldogs opened the tournament against Providence Christian and cruised to an easy 10-0 win. Kaliegh Sanders pitched a 2-hit



LADY BULLDOG STEALS A BASE.... A Kinston Lady Bulldogs slides safely at third base in a recent Kinston win. The Lady Bulldogs won the area title last week with three straight wins at the area tourney.

(Photo by Mike Capps)

ter and struck out 8 batters to lead Kinston, while at the plate Bethany Holley, Sara Mock, Katie Motler and Kaliegh Sanders all had 2 hits and Holli Kilcrease, Erin Shaw and Heather Marlowe added 1 hit, apiece.

The Lady Bulldogs squared off against the host Arton Lady 'Cats in second round action and claimed a hard fought 2-0 win. Bethany Holley and Kaliegh Sanders combined to pitch a 1-hitter to lead Kinston inside the circle, with Holley working six-innings and striking out 7 and Sanders pitching the final inning to get the save. Erin Shaw had 2 hits and 1 rbi to lead the Lady Bulldogs at the plate, while Holli Kilcrease added 1 hit and also knocked in 1 run.

The Lady Bulldogs claimed the championship by blanking Arton 10-0, in final game of the tourney. Kaliegh Sanders tossed a 1-hitter and struck out 9 batters to lead Kinston inside the circle, and also added 2 hits with an rbi at the plate. Heather Marlowe added 2 hits, scored 3 runs and knocked in 2 runs to aid the Kinston attack, while Katie Motler added 2 hits.

Brantley swept in third round of state playoffs
The Brantley Bulldogs saw their state title hopes dashed last weekend when they were eliminated by Millry in the third round of the state high school baseball playoffs. The Bulldogs, ranked second in the state at the end of the season, lost 6-1 and 8-6 in the best-of-three series to see their season end two rounds short of the state finals.

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Spotlight on OUTDOORS

BENNETT AUGHTMAN caught this 5-pound bass while fishing, recently in a private pond.

Lions Club to host annual golf tournament
The Enterprise Lions Club will be hosting its annual Four Person Scramble fund-raising golf tournament on Thursday, May 24, at Tartan Pines Golf Club. Registration begins at 11:00 a.m. with a shotgun start at 1:00 p.m. Cost is \$65 per person or \$260 per team. The fees include green fees, cart fees, range balls, dinner buffet, and door prizes. The deadline for tournament entry is Monday, May 21. Proceeds from this tournament will be used for sight conservation in Enterprise and the Southeast Alabama area. For more information contact James Aplin at 347-9449, Charles Clark at 347-5731, or Harvey Watt at 347-2623.

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THE HIGHLY ANTICIPATED SPRING FESTIVAL was held last Saturday, May 5, in New Brockton. A update was given to New Brockton Town Council members Monday evening during the monthly council meeting regarding the festival and all reports were good. Overall, festival organizers said they were pleased with the days activities. There were plenty of arts and crafts vendors and the barbecue contest featured more entries than the previous year's event. Even New Brockton's first lady Barbara Cole got in on the barbecuing.

TOWN

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Tyler Street.

Monday evening, it was reported to council members that the job's contractor has indicated it will take a supplement of approximately \$96,000 to get the project back to where it was before the wash out from rains. With some grant funds currently still available, the town clerk said work is supposed to resume again and additional funds will be reviewed in the future if actually needed.

Williams did say that the contractor will work in a hurry this time when work resumes trying to avoid any further delays from rain. Reportedly, the project was within three weeks of being

completed when the March 1st rains created the initial wash out.

During Monday's meeting, council member voted to approve a contract for debris removal. They also voted to approve the paying of monthly bills totaling \$30,468.81. This included \$15,828.66 prepaid and \$14,640.15 to be paid.

Announcements from the town council meeting included:

- Town hall offices will be closed Monday, May 28, in observance of Memorial Day.
- A leadership training will be conducted Tuesday, May 22, at 6:30 p.m. at the new town hall office.



THE ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION sponsored a meeting last Thursday, May 3, at Noon in front of the west side entrance to the Coffee County Courthouse in Elba. This meeting was in observance of the National Day of Prayer. As shown, several local citizens and officials took time from the busy schedules to join in this time of prayer.



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Elba City Council approves clean-up ordinance, paving project and two board appointments

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council was busy Monday evening approving an off premises beer license, appointing a school board member and a member of the Mental Health Board. In addition they passed a sweeping clean-up ordinance in an effort to put teeth in enforcement of requirements.

The council tabled action on increasing police officer pay by \$1.50 an hour. Mayor James Grimes said the move would cost \$40,000 annually in direct payments to officers and about 25% more in taxes and benefits.

The council had discussed this issue in a workshop a couple of weeks ago, and all seemed to agree it was necessary in an effort to retain good officers and replace those who have already taken jobs in other communities. However, a motion to table the matter and continue the discussion in another workshop passed unanimously.

The council also heard from a delegation of residents who live on Marilyn Street concerning an ongoing sewage problem.

These residents all utilize septic tanks for their sewage and report continuing overflow problems.

Tim Kyles, speaking on behalf of the residents, requested help from the city, as septic tank service companies tell them additional field lines will not solve their overflowing problems.

One homeowner present reported being promised public sewage within two years when he and his wife bought their home. However the person who reportedly made that promise was not a city official.

These homes are all below the level of the sewer collector line along old Highway 84, near the Elba schools. Furnishing sewage collection to these houses would require an expensive pumping system, explained the mayor.

Grimes told the group a federal grant application to solve their problem had been rejected but efforts are ongoing to find funding to help these residents.

One suggestion made by contractor Robert Kilcrease involved a much less expensive system. He gave city officials

the necessary information and they promised to get cost estimates on installing such a collection system.

H H Culver was reappointed to the Mental Health Board. The council also appointed Gappa Wise to a full term on the Elba School Board. Wise had been serving out an unexpired term on the school board.

Approval was given to an off premises beer license for Kyles Place at 1525 Jones Street. Detrick Kyles is the listed owner.

This application had been delayed at a previous meeting because council members felt some legal requirements had not been met.

The council passed a long discussed clean-up ordinance in an effort to put teeth in efforts to make Elba a cleaner looking

Elba man arrested on rape charges

An Elba man found himself behind bars this week facing charges of rape first degree following a weekend complaint.

Elba Chief of Police Freddy Hanchey said Tommy Franklin Shepperd, age 39, of Hickman

community. The 3,849 word ordinance is printed in its entirety on page 12 of today's edition of The Elba Clipper.

A \$43,625 price was accepted on resurfacing Buford Street from Claxton to Yelverton and also resurfacing Yelverton from Buford to U. S. 84 (old post office).

The work will be done by Wiregrass Construction Company while they are in Elba doing the resurface work on U. S. Highway 84.

Mayor Grimes explained it is much cheaper to get the work done while the contractor is in the area for other work than to contract with someone to move equipment in just for the city work.

Restricted gasoline excise taxes will be used to fund the project.

Shepperd currently is being held in the Coffee County Jail with no bond following a parole recommendation.

ELBA MAYOR James Grimes was on hand Monday morning in the courtyard of the Elba Nursing Home to kick off the celebration of National Nursing Home Week.

Grimes read a proclamation honoring the event and then presented a copy to Mrs. Marie LaPore before joining with staff and residents in releasing dozens of colorful balloons to mark the beginning of this special week.

March 1st tornado unites Enterprise resident with 33 Indiana State University students

One of the many people who lost homes, had damage or lost loved ones during the March 1st tornado that hit the City of Enterprise was Lillian Ward. Her home was completely destroyed during the tornado on that fateful day.

Ward is now living in a family home in Elba. Her future plans are not finalized, but she is strongly considering staying in Elba and not trying to rebuild her Enterprise home.

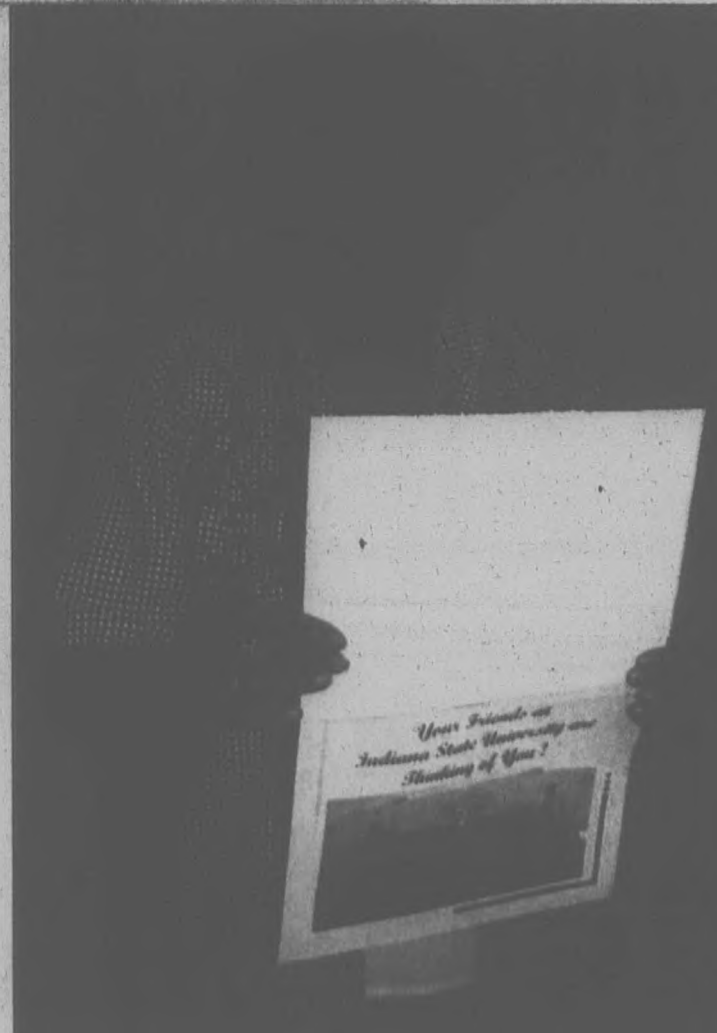
As it many times happens, much compassion was given to those who had lost so much. For Ward, it came in the form of students from Indiana State University.

The students helped Ward sort through the rubble to find many items such as her Bible, photos and a plaque she received as senior citizen volunteer of the year. All of this was in addition to her clothes, appliances and many other household items.

Shortly after the students left, they sent Ward a photo of them standing with her. Al Perone, director of student activities and organizations at Indiana State University, was with the students during their trip to Enterprise. He wrote Ward a note explaining how her attitude during such a trying time had, "changed the student's lives."

Also included on the back of the picture were signatures and short notes from each of the students. A total of 33 young men and women from Indiana State University spent their spring

break helping Lillian Ward and other Enterprise residents pick up the pieces left by the March 1, 2007 tornado.



Lillian Ward shows off the photo, note and signatures sent to her by Indiana State University students after they spent Spring Break helping the people of Enterprise "pick up the pieces" from the devastating tornado.

Everett announces \$254,459 federal grant for Elba airport

The Federal Aviation Administration has approved a \$254,450 grant for the Elba Airport Authority, Congressman Terry Everett, R-Rehoboth, announced last Thursday.

"I am pleased to announce the approval of a federal grant to make airport improvements to the Elba airport," Everett said.

"The FAA grant will fund the acquisition of additional land for the airport's runway protection zone," he continued. "Local airports are critical to economic development of our communities and I was pleased to support this grant and look forward to its implementation."

Area Happenings

THE COFFEE COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS BOARD will hold its monthly meeting Tuesday, May 15, (TODAY) at 6 p.m. in the Elba City Council Room. The board will discuss the following: Elba City Council meeting minutes and last year's tax levied. For more information, call Charles Webb at 334-1202.

OPEN HOUSE AT THE ZIM CHINESE CULTURE CENTER will be Sunday, May 20, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Zim Chinese Cultural Center is located in the Zim Chinese Community Center, 1000 N. Highway 84.

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NEWS BRIEF

Billy Joe Magwood received a death sentence June 2, 1981 after being convicted of the capital murder of then Coffee County Sheriff C.F. "Nell" Grantham. He shot and killed Grantham in front of the Coffee County Jail, then in Elba, on March 1, 1979.

Approximately 10 years ago, an appeal was filed for Magwood in an attempt to fight the death sentence. He eventually won that appeal April 9th when U.S. District Judge Myron Thompson ruled Magwood's death sentence violated due process and must be overturned.

In the ruling, Thompson said the Alabama Attorney General's office has 90 days to appeal his decision. Alabama Attorney General Troy King says he plans to do just that.

King, a native of Elba, has said he was very unhappy with Thompson's ruling indicated justice was denied. He said he will file an appeal to the 11th Circuit Court and also file a writ of the judge's opinion. If necessary, King said he is prepared to appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court.



ALABAMA STATE TROOPER WILLIE WHITE was recently honored with a banquet upon his retirement after 30 years service. Above Captain Crittenden presents White with a plaque honoring his service. He was also given the service revolver he carried during his thirty years of service.

A resolution was read which had been passed in the Alabama House of Representatives recognizing his years of faithful service to the people of Alabama.

Fellow troopers presented him with a gold watch, another plaque and an envelope of "gas money" since he would no longer have a state trooper car assigned to him.

Former trooper R. W. Whitworth reminded Trooper White and his friends of a few comical and/or embarrassing happenings during Trooper White's 30 years of service.

Elba Volunteer Fire Dept.



Firefighter Kelly Shehee

Kelly's family includes his wife, Kayron, and son, Whit. In his spare time, he enjoys fishing and hunting.

Kelly Shehee joined the Elba Volunteer Fire Department approximately one year ago.

He said he joined the local department to "help serve the community in a positive way."

Shehee's special training includes, but is not limited to, Certified Firefighter/Instructor, Haz-Mat Technician, Technical Rescue and EMT.

When asked what he enjoys most about being a member of the fire department, he said, "Building a camaraderie with the fellow firemen and also working together to protect our community."

Shehee is employed by the Fort Rucker Fire Department. In regards to his most memorable firefighting experience, he said there are just too many to narrow it down to one.